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MAUS-KRIPPNER WINS STREET STOCK FEATURE



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Tiffany Maus-Krippner #8 holds off the boys and brings home her first WISSOTA Street Stock feature win. Maus-Krippner had a large lead until a late caution but she still held off the pack to the flag.

ALEXANDRIA, MN (June 9th) -
Scott Searcy

The Street Stock's are the favorite division on many fans and on Saturday night they did not disappoint! Tiffany Maus-Krippner #8 lead a pack of boys around the track like it was a 5th grade playground. At the drop of the green she jumped out to an early lead from the pole position and put some space between her and the pack as Chris Winter #31 and Mark Blom #6x battled for the second spot. A couple laps in Adam Burrows #18B and Andrew Bangsund #70 joined the chase. Maus-Krippner continued to put space between her and the boys as the halfway point came and went. The last thing the #8 crew wanted to see was a yellow and it came at lap ten when Bangsund spun in turns 1-2. Bangsund had skimmed one of the yellow tractor tires marking the inside of the track in turns 3-4 a couple laps prior and he seemed to have his hands full after that. (continued on page 2)

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During the yellow Maus-Krippner's car dropped oil pressure from extreme overheating and she stopped on the front stretch, contemplating pulling in to the pits but then decided her first feature win was more important than her motor and she stayed out.

The caution bunched the pack up for a green-white-checkered shoot out. Justin Vogel #10 who had an unusual slow start, had worked his way back up to the third position on the restart and on the final turn, Burrows tried to go underneath Vogel and spun, collecting Bangsund who had already passed four cars that lap and Ryan Satter #67 then T-boned Bangsund. But while all the boys were bumping, banging and spinning out, the lone girl in the pack took the checkered flag.

The Street Stock Heat Race Winners were Justin Vogel and Adam Burrows.

Prior to the Street Stock feature, the Midwest Modifieds put on their own show. Kyle Reents #1 who finished second in his heat, started on the pole along side of Jason Hoffman #07. Reents jumped out to an early lead but had his hands full trying to fight off Hoffman and Shawn Olson #32. As the laps went by, three guys from the middle of the pack picked off their rivals one by one until Chris Mensen #53, Dustin Bitzan #10B and Travis Saurer #21x made it to the front with Mensen holding off the other two until a late caution and on the restart, Mensen was called for a brake-check and was given a two car penalty. A brake-check is when the leader taps his brake before the start of a race to throw off the other drivers. There was some controversy to the call as many fans and even other drivers did not think there was reason for the penalty. When Saurer was given the pole, he did not look back and he held off Bitzan and Mensen for his third Midwest Modified Feature Win of the year.

The heat race winners were Chris Mensen, Shawn Olson, and Ron Saurer.

The Super Stocks roared on to the track with a healthy field of fifteen cars and the two guys who started out front stayed there. Cody Lee #50 started on the pole and finished in first as Matt Miller #13M did the same, starting and finishing second. There was plenty of excitement though as almost every lap featured three-wide racing with great battles between Miller, Jeff Crouse #29, Larry Lund #54, and



Street Stock Feature Winner Tiffany Maus-Krippner #8 put her French Lake Auto Parts Chevy in Victory Lane for the first time



Midwest Modified Feature Winner Travis Saurer #21x made it to Victory Lane again. I have decided to start charging Travis for his weekly portrait sittings. [Scott]

Jon Stepan #3s. But in the end, Lee ran a smooth race and took home his first feature win of the season.

The Super Stock heat race winners were Jon Stepan and Matt Miller.

The Modified race also started fifteen cars but the pack definitely shuffled as a crash in turn 1-2 took out the pole sitter Terry Engebretson #1x and (continued on page 3)

MAUS-KRIPPNER WINS STREET STOCK FEATURE (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2)



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A last lap spin out by Adam Burrows #18B collected Andrew Bangsund #70 and Ryan Satter #67

the race winner came from the fifth spot as Cody Skyland #19S from West Fargo, ND took home the feature win. Danny Bayer #36 was a close second and Brett Hoium #5H rounded out the top three.

The Modified Heat race winners were Jason Thoennes #52 and Curt Lund #87.

Don Shaw #42S lead the field of Late Models from the pole position to the checkered flag as Jeff Wildung #50 and Zach Johnson #73 battled for second with Wildung coming out ahead of Johnson and fourth place finisher Cody Skyland #11S who had skipped his Victory Lane appearance in the Modified to jump into his Late Model. The Late Model Feature was smooth and without caution.

The Late Model Heat Race Winner was Zach Johnson.



Super Stock Feature Winner Cody Lee #50.



Late Model Feature Winner Don Shaw #42S



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DRIVER PROFILE: CHRIS MENSEN #53



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Chris Mensen #53 Midwest Modified

Age: 32 **Hometown:** Alexandria, MN **Occupation:** Law Enforcement/3M

Girlfriend: Shannon **Children:** Landon and Katelynn, 3 months

Chassis: J Car **Car Owner:** Myself **Crew Chief:** Tony Mensen

Pit Crew: Shannon Smith (girlfriend), Tim Mensen (brother), Dave Thoennes (set up guy)

Influences: Watching Dennis Bitzan, Ryan Muzik, Scott Hillig, and all of the guys who used to race at Viking back in the day. Watching them and listening to all of the racing stories made me want to race. **Sponsors:** SHAA Construction, Thoennes Transmission, TRE Race Parts, T&S Electric, DS Powersports, Overnight Wraps, Prairie Archery, Bitzan Ohren Masonry, Monson Truck Line, Sower Power **Other Tracks:** I-94 Speedway Fergus Falls

Favorite Experience at Viking: My favorite Experience at Viking was the first night I watched my brother in a race car. It was more fun than myself racing!

Most Memorable Racing Experience: My most memorable racing experience was winning the feature the last night of the season and also finishing 3rd behind Hoffman and Saurer at the 2011 Fall Classic. **Track Championships:** None yet, but working on it.

Something race fans might not know about me: If I wasn't racing I would be out hunting and fishing.





Rain halts the show prior to running any features

WESTPORT, MN (June 10th)
By Scott Searcy

The Minnewaska go-kart track saw some great racing but it was cut short just after the first round of heat races due to rain.



Brooke Fetterer #9 scored the feature win in the Jr. 2 Flathead Division on June 3rd. **Casey Call #56** and **Riley Akervick #18** rounded out the top three.



Brandon Dolman #24 leads the rest of the pack on his way to a Cageless Flathead Feature win on June 3rd.



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Riley Akervick #18 slides high on turn four. Akervick was very fast and could have gotten the win but his cart was loose and he was unable to hold the bottom groove. Akervick finished third in the main event.

Next Race Wednesday June 20TH, Pits open at 5:00 and racing starts at 7:00!

Makeup for the remaining heats and features from June 10 will be on Sunday June 24TH, pits open at 12:30 and racing starts at 2:00



Kaylee Nieland #52 gets a little help changing a flat tire after she was involved in a crash that pushed her frame into her tire. The frame was cut with a sawzall and she got back on the track just seconds before her pit time expired. Nieland finished 7th in the event.

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VIKING SPEEDWAY UNOFFICIAL POINT STANDINGS

Midwest Modified

Street Stock

Pos	Car #	Driver	Hometown	Points	Pos	Car #	Driver	Hometown	Points
1	21X	Travis Sauer	Elizabeth MN	217.00	1	33M	Brett Miller	Alexandria MN	202.00
2	53	Chris Mensen	Alexandria MN	207.00	2	70	Andrew Bangsund	Alexandria MN	200.00
3	42	Ronald Sauer	Dalton MN	205.00	3	18B	Adam Burrows	West Fargo ND	198.00
4	27	William Lund	Brandon MN	202.00	4	8	Tiffany Maus-Krippner	Kimball MN	192.00
5	10B	Dustin Bitzan	Brandon MN	180.00	-	31	Chris Winter	Hoffman MN	182.00
6	4A	Darrin Braaten	Kensington MN	177.00	6	23	Vernon Stewart	Herman MN	176.00
7	32	Shawn Olson	Alexandria MN	174.00	7	10	Justin Vogel	Brooten MN	156.00
8	07	Jason Hoffman	Villard MN	167.00	8	6X	Mark Blom	Glenwood MN	143.00
9	97S	Ryan Schleusner	Hector MN	164.00	9	15	Tyler Spanswick	Osakis MN	96.00
10	37	Tyler Vanderby	Glenwood MN	161.00	10	5P	Ryan Pommerer	Oriska ND	54.00
11	29	Kurt Deters	Sauk Centre MN	158.00	11	71X	Justin Tammen	Clara City MN	52.00
12	7G	Dan Greeley	Alexandria MN	157.00	12	32	Jordan Tollakson	Montevideo MN	51.00
13	23	Josh Muzik	Alexandria MN	145.00	13	3P	Rick Pommerer	ND	46.00
14	59	Tim Mensen	Alexandria MN	142.00	-	67	Ryan Satter	MN	46.00
15	88	Brandon Spanswick	Osakis MN	139.00					
16	1	Kyle Reents	Glenwood MN	123.00					
17	15K	Dustin Karl	Osakis MN	122.00					

Super Stock

Pos	Car #	Driver	Hometown	Points
1	3S	Jon Stepan	Brandon MN	197.00
2	54	Larry Lund	Brandon MN	196.00
3	21	Trevor Sauer	Dalton MN	193.00
4	22	Alan Johnson	Osakis MN	190.00
5	31X	Derrick Lemke	Sauk Centre MN	189.00
6	13M	Matt Miller	Glenwood MN	188.00
7	15F	Jeff Flaten	Hancock MN	186.00
8	9	Dominic Baker	Osakis MN	168.00
9	50	Cody Lee	Starbuck MN	164.00
10	29*	Jeff Crouse	Alexandria MN	160.00
11	19K	Jeff Kluver	Alexandria MN	158.00
12	79	Jason Cook	Brandon MN	122.00
13	71X	Cory Tammen	Fargo ND	99.00
14	77	Rocky Yeats	Alexandria MN	78.00
15	1P	Mike Peterson	Dawson MN	50.00
16	48	Jerome Guyot	Fannystelle MB	40.00
17	2H	Bryan Hellerman	Parkers Prairie MN	38.00
18	2*	Travis Berends	Montevideo MN	37.00



Three Wide Racing at the High Flying Half Mile

Late Model**Modified**

Pos	Car #	Driver	Hometown	Points	Pos	Car #	Driver	Hometown	Points
1	73	Zach Johnson	Kensington MN	109.00	1	21X	Travis Sauer	Elizabeth MN	210.00
2	50	Jeff Wildung	Nassau MN	99.00	2	19S	Cody Skyland	West Fargo ND	199.00
3	12N	Rick Nelson	Alexandria MN	93.00	3	10X	Dennis Bitzan	Farwell MN	198.00
4	42S	Don Shaw	Ham Lake MN	92.00	-	36	Danny Bayer	Elrosa MN	198.00
5	44P	Brad Parson	Morris MN	84.00	5	5H	Brett Hoium	Villard MN	190.00
6	8	Billy Michaelsohn	West Fargo ND	79.00	6	1G	Dallas Gulbrandson	Alexandria MN	169.00
7	11	Pat Doar	New Richmond WI	54.00	7	99W	Jake Wildman	Glenwood MN	168.00
-	7W	Ricky Weiss	Headingley MB	54.00	-	2X	Brady Gerdes	Villard MN	168.00
-	3	Clarence Washburn	Hector	54.00	9	52	Jason Thoennes	Garfield MN	166.00
10	11S	Cody Skyland	Fargo ND	50.00	10	1X	Terry Engebretson	Cyrus MN	164.00
11	23	Kyle Peterlin	Hibbing MN	49.00	11	18S	Dave Schroeder	Glenwood MN	155.00
-	11K	Jeremy Keller	Mandan ND	49.00	12	14M	Terry Merten	Sauk Centre MN	152.00
13	10B	Mike Balcaen	Winnipeg MB	47.00	13	51	Josh Thoennes	Carlos MN	142.00
14	10K	Shawn Kiwin	Morris MN	44.00	14	2G	Brock Gronwold	Fergus Falls MN	133.00
15	21	Todd Frank	Mellen WI	42.00	15	16W	Scott Weik	Verndale MN	107.00
16	25	Toby Patchen	Isanti MN	39.00	16	75	Mike Storck	Morris MN	90.00
17	7L	Scott Lehn	Albany MN	37.00	17	10W	Ward Imrie	Winnipeg MB	80.00
-	5E	Shane Edginton	Winnipeg MB	37.00	-	1K	Kyle Koehntop	Morris MN	80.00
					19	95	Mark Esala	Thief River Falls MN	78.00
					20	97	Peter Loedken	Roscoe MN	76.00
					-	1B	Jason Blasoyk	Kensington MN	76.00
					22	87	Curt Lund	Redwood Falls MN	52.00
					23	5X	Scot Danzeisen	Herman MN	51.00
					24	60E	Daniel Ebert	Lake Shore MN	50.00
					25	10H	Nate Heinrich	Bellingham MN	44.00
					26	26K	Robert Gierke	Villard MN	42.00



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JUNE 9TH RESULTS

Street Stock - Feature

Street Stock - Feature					Midwest Modified - Feature						
Finish	Start	Car	Driver	Hometown	Race Points	Finish	Start	Car	Driver	Hometown	Race Points
1	1	8	Tiffany Maus-krippner	Kimball, Mn	35.00	1	9	21X	Travis Saurer	Elizabeth, Mn	35.00
2	2	31	Chris Winter	Hoffman, Mn	33.00	2	10	10B	Dustin Bitzan	Brandon, Mn	33.00
3	8	10	Justin Vogel	Brooten, Mn	32.00	3	8	53	Chris Mensen	Alexandria, Mn	32.00
4	3	6X	Mark Blom	Glenwood, Mn	31.00	4	7	42	Ronald Saurer	Dalton, Mn	31.00
5	7	33M	Brett Miller	Alexandria, Mn	30.00	5	2	07	Jason Hoffman	Villard, Mn	30.00
6	5	70	Andrew Bangsund	Alexandria, Mn	29.00	6	11	27	William Lund	Brandon, Mn	29.00
7	6	67	Ryan Satter	, Mn	28.00	7	6	4A	Darrin Braaten	Kensington, Mn	28.00
8	10	23	Vernon Stewart	Herman, Mn	27.00	8	1	1	Kyle Reents	Glenwood, Mn	27.00
9	4	18B	Adam Burrows	West Fargo, Nd	26.00	9	13	97S	Ryan Schleusner	Hector, Mn	26.00
10	9	15	Tyler Spanwick	Osakis, Mn	25.00	10	14	11	Bryan Kakela	Langdon, Nd	25.00
						11	5	32	Shawn Olson	Alexandria, Mn	24.00
						12	19	88	Brandon Spanwick	Osakis, Mn	23.00
						13	17	37	Tyler Vanderby	Glenwood, Mn	22.00
						14	20	15K	Dustin Karl	Osakis, Mn	21.00
						15	12	23	Josh Muzik	Alexandria, Mn	20.00
						16	18	59	Tim Mensen	Alexandria, Mn	19.00

Modified - Feature

Modified - Feature					Super Stock - Feature						
Finish	Start	Car	Driver	Hometown	Race Points	Finish	Start	Car	Driver	Hometown	Race Points
1	5	19S	Cody Skyland	West Fargo, Nd	35.00	1	1	50	Cody Lee	Starbuck, Mn	35.00
2	4	36	Danny Bayer	Elrosa, Mn	33.00	2	2	13M	Matt Miller	Glenwood, Mn	33.00
3	2	5H	Brett Holum	Villard, Mn	32.00	3	6	1P	Mike Peterson	Dawson, Mn	32.00
4	7	87	Curt Lund	Redwood Falls, Mn	31.00	4	8	29*	Jeff Crouse	Alexandria, Mn	31.00
5	10	1G	Dallas Gulbranson	Alexandria, Mn	30.00	5	5	54	Larry Lund	Brandon, Mn	30.00
6	6	10X	Dennis Bitzan	Fairwell, Mn	29.00	6	3	21	Trevor Saurer	Dalton, Mn	29.00
7	13	2X	Brady Gerdes	Villard, Mn	28.00	7	10	22	Alan Johnson	Osakis, Mn	28.00
8	9	18S	Dave Schroeder	Glenwood, Mn	27.00	8	4	31X	Derrick Lemke	Sauk Centre, Mn	27.00
9	8	21X	Travis Saurer	Elizabeth, Mn	26.00	9	15	9	Dominic Baker	Osakis, Mn	26.00
10	12	99W	Jake Wildman	Glenwood, Mn	25.00	10	7	3S	Jon Stepan	Brandon, Mn	25.00
11	11	97	Peter Loedken	Roscoe, Mn	24.00	11	9	15F	Jeff Flaten	Hancock, Mn	24.00
12	14	14M	Terry Merten	Sauk Centre, Mn	23.00	12	12	79	Jason Cook	Brandon, Mn	23.00
13	15	16W	Scott Werk	Verndale, Mn	22.00	13	14	77	Rocky Yeats	Alexandria, Mn	22.00
14	1	1X	Terry Engebretson	Cyrus, Mn	21.00	14	11	2*	Travis Berends	Montevideo, Mn	21.00
15	3	52	Jason Thoenes	Garfield, Mn	0.00	15	13	19K	Jeff Kluver	Alexandria, Mn	20.00

Late Model - Feature

Finish	Start	Car	Driver	Hometown	Race Points
1	1	42S	Don Shaw	Ham Lake, Mn	35.00
2	3	50	Jeff Wildung	Nassau, Mn	33.00
3	4	73	Zach Johnson	Kensington, Mn	32.00
4	5	11S	Cody Skyland	Fargo, Nd	31.00
5	2	12N	Rick Nelson	Alexandria, Mn	30.00
6	7	44P	Brad Parson	Morris, Mn	29.00
7	6	8	Billy Michaelsohn	West Fargo, Nd	28.00
8	8	3	Clarence Washburn	-	27.00



2012 Viking Speedway Schedule

2012 Schedule is Tentative and Subject to Change

June 16 (Sat) - Florian Sprinzel Street Stock Special - 5 WISSOTA Classes

June 23 (Sat) - WISSOTA Racing - 5 Sanctioned Classes

June 30 (Sat) - WISSOTA Racing - 5 Sanctioned Classes (Mid Season Championships)

July 6 (Fri) - Modified Special - 8th Annual MN Modified Nationals - Practice 6 to 9 PM

July 7 (Sat) - Modified Special - 8th Annual MN Modified Nationals - Mod, Midwest Mod, Superstock

July 8 (Sun) - Modified Special - 8th Annual MN Modified Nationals - Mod, Midwest Mod, Superstock
Modified Special - 8th Annual MN Modified Nationals - (Rain Date - Oct 4)

July 14 (Sat) - WISSOTA Racing - 5 Sanctioned Classes AMSOIL Qualifiers

July 21 (Sat) - WISSOTA Racing - 5 Sanctioned Classes

July 28 (Sat) - WISSOTA Racing - 5 Sanctioned Classes

August 4 (Sat) - WISSOTA Racing - 5 Sanctioned Classes

August 11 (Sat) - WISSOTA Racing - 5 Sanctioned Classes (Hall of Fame Night)

August 16 (Thurs) - Douglas County Fair - Demolition Derby

August 17 (Fri) - Douglas County Fair - Demolition Derby

August 18 (Sat) - Douglas County Fair - 5 WISSOTA Sanctioned Classes

August 25 (Sat) - NOSA SPRINTS LEGENDS NO LATE MODEL

Sept 1 (Sat) - Labor Day Doubleheader - 5 WISSOTA Classes NLRA Late Model Special

Sept 2 (Sun) - Labor Day Doubleheader - 5 WISSOTA Classes NLRA Late Model Special

Sept 3 (Mon) - Labor Day Doubleheader (Rain Date - Noon)

Sept 8 (Sat) - TBA

October 4 (Thurs) - 10th Annual Viking Fall Classic - Practice 6 to 9 PM

October 5 (Fri) - 10th Annual Viking Fall Classic - Late Model, Mod, Super, Street, MWM, Mod 4

October 6 (Sat) - 10th Annual Viking Fall Classic - Late Model, Mod, Super, Street, MWM, Mod 4

October 7 (Sun) - 10th Annual Viking Fall Classic - Rain Date

October 11 (Thurs) - Viking Fall Classic - Rain Date Practice 6 to 9 PM

October 12 (Fri) - Viking Fall Classic - Rain Date Late Model, Mod, Super, Street, MWM, Mod 4

October 13 (Sat) - Viking Fall Classic - Rain Date Late Model, Mod, Super, Street, MWM, Mod 4

October 14 (Sun) - Viking Fall Classic - Rain Date

Nov 24 (Sat) - 2012 Awards Banquet - Broadway Ballroom

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VIKING SPEEDWAY PHOTOS



Photo: Scott Searcy / Cricket Prints

Darrin Braaten #4A leads a pack of Midwest Mods past a rogue tire in turn four



Photo: Scott Searcy / Cricket Prints

Curt Lund #87 slides through turn three with Brett Hoium #5H in chase. Lund went on to win the heat race with Hoium finishing third.

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VIKING SPEEDWAY BLAST FROM THE PAST - FLORIAN SPRINZEL



FANS OF THE WEEK - Florian Sprinzel, Viking Speedway secretary presented Fan of the Week trophies last Saturday night to four youngsters during 'Kid's Night.' Fans honored included Jennifer Person of Lowry, Tanya Rossum, Brandon, Kyle Baker of Osakis and David Bast of Alexandria.



RICHARD KLUG won the sportsmen trophy dash last Saturday night with Florian Sprinzel presenting the winner his hardware.



BIKE WINNERS - Matt Johnson, left, of Sleepy Eye, and Michelle Gregor, right, of Alex were the lucky bike winners during kid's night at the Viking Speedway. With the lucky youngsters are Rocky and Dusty.



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